

62nd LEGISLATURE—REGULAR SESSION

WHEREAS, The people of Texas and individuals of other states who visit Austin and the State Capitol will derive a great and lasting benefit from the use of this scenic area as a State park; and

WHEREAS, The members of the 62nd Legislature wish to express, on behalf of the people of Texas, their sincere gratitude for this valuable donation of private property; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Mr. J. E. "Pete" Smith and his wife, Bertha N. Smith, and Miss Annie M. Smith, be and are by this Resolution officially recognized for their outstanding and unselfish contribution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an original copy of this Resolution, as signed by the Governor of this State, be forwarded to Mr. and Mrs. Smith and to Miss Annie Smith in honor of their donation and their public service to the State of Texas.

Adopted by the Senate on May 24, 1971; adopted by the House on May 25, 1971.

Filed with the Secretary of State, May 27, 1971.

RIO GRANDE RIVER WATER STUDY COMMITTEE

S. C. R. No. 116

WHEREAS, The Texas Supreme Court has recently ruled in the case of Valmont Plantations, et al vs. The State of Texas, that the Spanish and Mexican grants did not have appurtenant rights in the absence of specific grants of irrigation water; and

WHEREAS, The Water Rights Commission has, as a result of this decision, refused to grant permits to several farmers along the lower Rio Grande River who have for many years rebid on water from the Rio Grande River to raise their crops; and

WHEREAS, Some new solution is desirable in the allocation of water from the Rio Grande to these areas which have been suddenly deprived of water; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Senate of the 62nd Legislature, the House of Representatives concurring, that an interim Committee of the Legislature be created known as the Rio Grande River Water Study and that the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each be authorized to appoint three members of the Senate and House respectively and each appoint two citizen members to study the allocation of water on the lower Rio Grande River; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the members shall select a chairman of the Committee by majority vote, and the Committee shall meet at such times and places as may be necessary and that the Water Rights Commission and the Texas Legislative Council be requested to cooperate with the Committee in the conduct of the study; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That both legislative and public members of the Committee shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred in carrying out the purposes and duties of this Resolution in equal proportions from the Expense Fund of the House and the Contingent Expense Fund of the Senate; other necessary expenses for the operation of the Committee shall also be paid from these funds of the House and Senate equally; and further that the Committee shall prepare a budget for the operating expenses of the Committee, which shall be submitted to the Administration Committee of the Senate and the House Administration

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Committee, and no expenditures shall be made until the budget has been approved; prior approval of nonbudgeted expenditures, if any, must also be obtained from the Administration Committee of the Senate and the House Administration Committee; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Committee shall make its complete report, including findings, recommendations, and drafts of any proposed legislation, to the 63rd Legislature at its regular session in January 1973, and that five copies of the completed study shall be filed in the Legislative Reference Library, and five copies filed in the office of the Texas Legislative Council. Following official distribution of the Committee report, all remaining copies shall be deposited with the Legislative Reference Librarian.

Adopted by the Senate on May 28, 1971; adopted by the House on May 31, 1971.

Filed with the Secretary of State, June 8, 1971.

CORRECTION—HOUSE BILL NO. 43

S. C. R. No. 117

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Senate of the 62nd Legislature, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives be authorized to make the following corrections in the Conference Committee Report on House Bill No. 43:

(1) Insert the following language as quoted Section 1(a) following the first paragraph of Section 1:

"Section 1. (a) The Governing Boards of the several institutions of collegiate rank supported in whole or in part by public funds appropriated from the State Treasury shall cause to be collected from students registering in the said schools, tuition or registration fees at the rates hereinafter prescribed."

(2) On page 2, quoted Item (11), change the words "Subsection 10" to read "Item (10)," and change the word "section" on the last line of said Item (11) to read "subsection."

(3) On page 2, quoted Item (12), change the words "Item I" to read "Item (1)" on the second line thereof, and change the words "Item 2" to read "Item (2)" on the third line thereof.

(4) Amend the caption to conform.

Adopted by the Senate on May 25, 1971: Yeas 31, Nays 0; adopted by the House on May 25, 1971: Yeas 124, Nays 9.

Filed with the Secretary of State, May 27, 1971.

CLEAN DRINKING WATER—STUDY, REPORT AND ASSISTANCE BY STATE AGENCIES

S. C. R. No. 118

WHEREAS, In many inhabited areas of this State, both rural and urban, no drinking water at all is available and water for household use must be carried in buckets or hauled long distances; and

WHEREAS, In many other inhabited areas water is available but it is so polluted with disease-bearing bacteria that the water is unfit or unsafe for human consumption; and